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UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Application of: SANDERS, Mark
Serial No.: To Be Assigned
Filed: Simultaneously Herewith
For: **MEDICAMENTS FOR TREATING
RESPIRATORY DISORDERS COMPRISING
FORMOTEROL AND FLUTICASONE**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

United States Patent and Trademark Office
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Arlington, VA 22202
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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the enclosed abstract to the application as page number 18.

IN THE CLAIMS.

Please delete claims 30 - 33 and 35 without prejudice.

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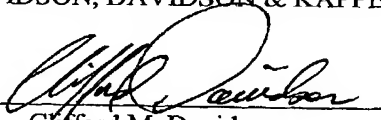
REMARKS

Claims 1 - 29 and 34 are pending. Claims 30 - 33 and 35 have been deleted without prejudice for not being in conformity with United States Patent Law.

A favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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There is described a method of treating or alleviating a respiratory disorder which comprises administering an effective amount of the active ingredients formoterol, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and fluticasone, or a pharmaceutically acceptable ester thereof, separately, sequentially or simultaneously, provided that the active ingredients comprise separate compositions. There is also described a dry powder inhaler containing formoterol, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and fluticasone, or a pharmaceutically acceptable ester thereof, which may be administered separately, sequentially or simultaneously, provided that they are administered as separate compositions.